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For contemporary students must not only be aware of their responsibilities in their roles as lawyers, but must also reach reasoned conclusions concerning the proper limitations of the role of lawyers and the law. In contemporary society, as increasing numbers of young persons turn to careers in the law, as attempts are made to increase the areas of human endeavor to which the law is applied, as society becomes more complex and the law appears more vulnerable and less respected, the subjects covered by this book are of paramount importance.

A qualified professor or other discussion leader can provide the in-depth discussion of the issues raised which they deserve. Used in such a context, *The Profession of Law* will be a valuable learning aid.

*Reviewed by Charles G. Sabo\**

WHAT TO DO WITH YOUR BAD CAR: An Action Manual for Lemon Owners; by Ralph Nader, Lowell Dodge & Ralf Hotchkiss (Bantam Books, Inc., New York, N. Y., 1971) 241 pp.

THE TITLE OF THIS BOOK tells the reader exactly what it is—an action manual. It shows the consumer what strategies he may employ in getting rid of, or getting fixed, his defective car—his *lemon*.

Approximately one half of this book tells what the consumer can do (action) and includes information on complaint procedures, legal remedies, self-help and "last resorts". Some of the best advice given to the reader informs the frustrated consumer when he will need an attorney, and includes several legal strategies that an attorney may use in curing or remedying a consumer's frustration. The legal remedies are footnoted, well-explained, and give a good summary of consumer auto remedies cases based on contract and tort law. These remedies reach from stopping of payment of a check to class actions. Special emphasis is made to encourage the reader to contact a young lawyer who will have the conscience to take the case even though no large economic rewards will be reaped in this kind of suit; there is a lesser chance that an established law firm will take the case.

Law professors and students will find this action manual a valuable supplemental source to a course in commercial law or consumer remedies. Any local public action group will discover that this is a worthwhile guide on how to help a consumer at minimum cost and with the least amount of legal action. Since lawyers, law students and law professors are consumers too, the information on how to avoid buying a lemon, how a letter from a lawyer for a client can often have favorable results, and the meaning of the code on a tire, can be used for both consumer and professional advantage.

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The primary purpose of the authors and the "action group" which helped in gathering the data, is to make the buying public more aware of their rights; and when a resulting demand is made for better quality from the auto industry, it is hoped that a better quality and safer car will be produced. The ordinary lawyer can play an important role in ensuring that his client's, and his own, pocket is not picked for the sake of the nation's number one industry.